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25X1	4. Accompanied Bruce Clarke to an
	unclassified briefing of Ed Braswell, Senate Armed Services Committee
	staff, on the nature of the Soviet threat. The briefing was primarily
	directed to the historical background of the Soviet weapons program.
	Mr. Clarke also reviewed material which had been prepared by Bill
£	Baroody, of DOD, and expressed his agreement with the figures contained
: .	in Baroody's paper. Braswell said this briefing would be most helpful to him in assisting Senator Stennis in his work on the ABM issue.
İ	I asked Braswell if he had any reservations about our going ahead
	with the submission of our retirement package as indicated in the outline
	which we had provided him earlier. Braswell said he had no real problems
25X1	on this but suggested that instead of a flat repealer of the ceiling on our
; , ,	number of retirements that we suggest a new ceiling figure. With regard
i	to the section on the reemployment of retired annuitants, Braswell
	expressed some reservations about our following the Foreign Service 25X1
	provisions, but did not state a flat objection.
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